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For: IMAGE DATA RETRIEVAL APPARATUS
AND METHOD CAPABLE OF
FACILITATING RETRIEVAL OF DESIRED
IMAGE DATA FROM IMAGE DATABASE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In conjunction with the accompanying Request for Continued Examination (RCE), and in response to the Action dated July 28, 2005, please amend this application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 9.